

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The indication of allowable subject matter is acknowledged with appreciation.

The rejections of the previously pending claims are moot in view of the newly added claims in this response.

Claim 34 features a circuit that monitors the cumulative amount of charge associated with a power supply. Claim 42 features the control circuit provides an output signal on the output responsive to an amount of charge that is provided from the power supply is at least equal to a predetermined threshold. Claim 47 features decoupling the power supply from a load responsive to the charge amount being at least equal to a predetermined level. None of the applied references disclose, teach or suggest those features. Therefore claims 34, 42 and 47 are patentable and are allowable. The dependent claims are allowable due to their respective dependence on allowable claims 34, 42 and 47.

It is believed that no fees are due with this filing. If a petition and/or fee payment is required to allow consideration of substantive information submitted herewith, however, please consider this a petition and/or fee payment authorization therefore. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required for this filing or credit any surplus to Deposit Account 19-1038.

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